

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S) : Yuriko Fukuoka, et al.  
TITLE : WATER-SOLUBLE TETRAZOLIUM  
COMPOUNDS  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2008, requesting identification of each of the moieties, Applicant confirms the election of the species of FIG 1 a), wherein:

R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup>, R<sup>7</sup>, R<sup>9</sup>, R<sup>10</sup>, R<sup>12</sup>, R<sup>13</sup>, R<sup>14</sup>, R<sup>16</sup>, R<sup>17</sup>, and R<sup>19</sup>, are each hydrogen;

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>15</sup> are each a nitro group;

R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> are each a sulfonate group;

R<sup>11</sup> and R<sup>18</sup> are each an alkoxy group, specifically a methoxy group; and

M is Na.

All claims read on this species.


It is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for substantive examination. Such examination is therefore earnestly solicited.

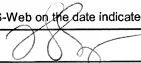
Respectfully submitted,

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